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## IN THE UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF UTAH CENTRAL DIVISION

In re:

CAROLINE UMANA,

Debtor.

MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF AMERICAN FAMILY MUTUAL INSURANCE'S MOTION TO REOPEN DEBTOR CAROLINE UMANA'S CHAPTER 7 BANKRUPTCY CASE

Bankruptcy No. 12-24931

Honorable William T. Thurman

American Family Mutual Insurance, by and through counsel, respectfully submits this Memorandum in Support of its Motion to Reopen Carolina Umana's Bankruptcy Case in order to file an adversary proceeding requesting declaratory judgment.

"A case may be reopened in the court in which such case was closed to administer assets, to accord relief to the debtor, or *for other cause*." 11 U.S.C. § 350(b) (emphasis added). The Bankruptcy Court has discretion to reopen a closed case or proceeding when the moving party

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demonstrates cause to reopen the matter. *Flores v. United States Trustee (In re Flores)*, 2001

Bankr. LEXIS 521, citing *Batstone v. Emmerling (In re Emmerling)*, 223 B.R. 860, 864 (2d Cir. BAP 1997).

A case may be reopened on motion of the debtor or other party in interest pursuant to §350(b) of the Code. In a chapter 7, 12, or 13 case a trustee shall not be appointed by the United States trustee unless the court determines that a trustee is necessary to protect the interests of creditors and the debtor or to insure efficient administration of the case.

Fed. R. Bank. P. § 5010.

The Court should grant American Family Mutual Insurance's motion because it is appropriate to reopen Caroline Umana's Bankruptcy Case when Ms. Umana failed to disclose her pending claim against American Family Mutual Insurance in her Bankruptcy pleadings and schedules before she was awarded a discharge. Attached as Exhibit A is American Family Mutual Insurance's Complaint for the adversary proceeding requesting the Bankruptcy Court to declare that Ms. Umana is judicially estopped and no longer has standing to pursue her claim against American Family Mutual Insurance.

DATED this 35 day of January, 2013.

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## **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this 314 day of January, 2013, a true and correct copy of the

foregoing MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF AMERICAN FAMILY MUTUAL

## INSURANCE'S MOTION TO REOPEN DEBTOR CAROLINE UMANA'S CHAPTER 7

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